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MOTORISTS MAY CHECK INSURANCE STATUS ONLINE

As of January 1, 2004, insurance cards are no longer legal proof that your vehicle is properly insured, and now it is much easier to be sure that your insurance company has transmitted the necessary information to the State. Georgia motorists may now access the Department of Motor Vehicle Safety's website: www.dmv.ga.gov to verify whether or not they are registered in the mandatory automobile insurance database – the Georgia Electronic Insurance Compliance System (GEICS). After clicking on “What’s New-Insurance-Insurance Status Inquiry”, drivers simply provide the vehicle’s Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) and Title Number. After a search of the database, the vehicle’s insurance status will be provided.

The DMVS recommends that anyone that used an insurance card to purchase or renew their vehicle registration between June and December 31, 2003 verify that their insurance company has transmitted their information to be added to the database.

Insurance cards are still important should you travel out of state or be involved in an accident. Keep insurance cards in vehicles at all times.